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II—Fire Funds..... 3,637,047
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Sinking Fund Account..... 123,230
\$23,970,367
Revenue Fire Branch..... \$2,381,456
Life and Annuity Branch..... 2,141,593
Revenue Marine Department..... 337,239
Other Receipts..... 473,940
\$5,333,228

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THE WAR. TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE AIR-RAID ON PARIS.

NUMEROUS BOMBS DROPPED.
PARIS, Mar. 12.
An official report states:—
Seven enemy aeroplane squadrons
attacked Paris at 10 on Monday
evening.
Bombs were dropped at several
points, causing casualties and
damage.
LATER.
One of the raiding Gothas was
brought down in flames near
Chateau-Thierry.
The crew have been taken pri-
soners.
**SIXTY MACHINES MAKE THE
ATTEMPT.**
LATER.
The alarm was given at 9 in the
evening and the "all clear" at mid-
night.
Sixty machines crossed the French
lines. The barrage was very intense
throughout, but a certain number of
aeroplanes reached their objectives
and dropped numerous bombs on
Paris and the suburbs.
Several buildings were demolished,
or caught fire.
**GERMANS LOSE FOUR
MACHINES.**
PARIS, Mar. 12.
The Germans lost three four-
seated Gothas and one biplane
Gotha in last night's raid.
Nine squadrons participated. They
approached the Capital from two
directions.
Our aeroplanes in a counter-offen-
sive dropped 68 100-kilo. bombs on
the aerodromes from which the
raiders departed.
**ENEMY'S "COPIOUS"
RETALIATION.**
LONDON, Mar. 12.
A wireless German official report
states:—
Last night we copiously and suc-
cessfully bombed Paris, in retalia-
tion, for the enemy attacks of March
8th and 10th on Stuttgart, Esslingen,
Intertuerkheim and Mainz.

AIR-RAID ON ENGLAND.

20 KILLED AND 45 INJURED.
LONDON, Mar. 12.
The Press Bureau states that in
the air-raid on March 7th, nine men,
eight women and three children were
killed and 45 injured.
It is feared that one body has not
been recovered.

THE AIR-RAID ON NAPLES.

THE CASUALTIES.
NAPLES, Mar. 12.
Sixteen were killed and 40 injured
in the air-raid on Naples.

GERMAN AVIATORS TO BE IMPRISONED.

LONDON, Mar. 12.
Failing a satisfactory reply from
Germany by to-day to the protest
regarding Lieutenant Scholtz and
Lieutenant Wookley, who were shot
down at Cambrai on October 17th
and sentenced to ten years' penal
servitude by a German Military
Tribunal, for dropping enemy
leaflets, two German Flying Corps
Oberlieutenants of high family have
been selected by the War Prisoners
Department to be imprisoned to-
morrow.

GERMANY'S DIPLOMATIC DEPRE- SENTATIVE TO UKRAINE.

**A FORMER GERMAN MINISTER
TO PEKING.**
AMSTERDAM, Mar. 12.
Baron von Munster, formerly Ger-
man Minister to Peking, has gone
to Kiev as Temporary Diplomatic
Representative to Ukraine.

CHAOS IN RUSSIA.

AN ORGY OF MURDER.
STOCKHOLM, Mar. 12.
Crimes by the Red Guards are
daily increasing. The Red Guards
choose their victims from among the
intellectual classes, assassinating,
principally, clergy of democratic
sympathies and landlords.
All the Agricultural Councilors,
except one, have been killed.

ALLIED CONSULS AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

**DEMAND RESTORATION OF
FORMER GOVERNMENT.**
LONDON, Mar. 12.
The Daily Mail Correspondent at
Petrograd says the Allied Consuls
at Vladivostock have sent an ulti-
matum to the local authorities,
demanding the reconstitution of the
Government, as existing before the
Bolsheviks, and the protection of
their nationals.

MOSCOW IN HANDS OF ANARCHISTS.

A telegram from Petrograd says
the Anarchists are in possession of
Moscow and are determined to fight
the Petrograd Bolsheviks if the latter
succeed in reaching the city.
The Bolshevik leaders are closely
watched in Petrograd with a view to
preventing them leaving.

GERMAN TROOPS NEAR ODESSA.

A telegram from Rotterdam says
the *Hamburger Fremdenblatt* asserts
that the German troops are a few
miles from Odessa.

RUSSIAN AND RUMANIAN MILLS SUSPENDED.

LONDON, Mar. 12.
The Press Bureau states that the
Post Office announces the suspension
of mail and money order services to
Rumania and Russia, except to
Finland.

PRESIDENT WILSON SENDS A MESSAGE TO RUSSIA.

**AMERICA'S SYMPATHY FOR
RUSSIAN PEOPLE.**
WASHINGTON, Mar. 12.
President Wilson has telegraphed
to the American Consul at Moscow
as follows:—
"May I not take advantage of the
meeting of the Congress of Soviets
to express the sincere sympathy
which the people of the United
States feel for the Russian people
at this moment when the German
power has been thrust in to interrupt
and turn back the whole struggle for
Freedom and substitute the wishes
of Germany for the purpose of the
people of Russia?
Although the Government of the
United States is, unhappily, not now
in a position to render direct and
effective aid, it would wish to render
it. I beg to assure the people of
Russia, through the Congress, that
it will avail itself of every opportu-
nity to secure for Russia once more
complete sovereignty and indepen-
dence in her own affairs and full
restoration to her great role in the
life of Europe and the modern
world. The whole heart of the
people of the United States is with
the people of Russia in the attempt
to free themselves for ever from an
autocratic government and become
the masters of their own fate."

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PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

THURSDAY,
the 14th March, 1918, at 12 o'clock Noon,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

The Steamship
"HONGKONG,"
as she now lies on the EAST POINT of
NAUCHAU ISLAND about twenty-
five miles from KWAN-CHAU-WAN.

Together with her ENGINES,
BOILERS, ANCHORS, CHAINS, &c.,
&c., &c., and such other SHIP'S equip-
ment as may be found on board, (but
no CARGO is to be considered in this
SALE).

"The SHIP is now guarded by the
FRENCH authorities."
For further particulars apply to the
Undersigned.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Mar. 7, 1918. 218

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(on account of the deceased),

THURSDAY,
the 21st March, 1918, at 2.30 p.m., at
Rock Villa, No. 13, Wong-Nei-Chong
Road, (next door to Le Calvaire),

**VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,**
&c., &c., &c.
Shrine contained.

Consisting of—
Carved Blackwood Overmantel,
Settee, Curio and Silver Cabinet, Joss
Table, &c.
Teakwood Sideboard and Dinner
Wagon, Dining Table and Chairs, China
Cabinet, Crockery, Glass Ware, &c.
Teakwood Twin Beds, Teakwood
Wardrobe, Dressing Table and Double
Bed.
Teakwood Ice-chest, Cooking Stove
and Utensils, &c.

Also
PIANO in splendid condition by
E. Montre & Co., excellent Gramophone
records and record cabinet, white
Cockatoo and sage, &c.
On view from Wednesday, the 20th
at Noon.
Catalogue will be issued.
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HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Mar. 8, 1918. 222

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Liquidators of the Firm of Messrs. FUKWANG LOWEY & Co., to sell by Public Auction,

on
MONDAY,
the 25th March, 1918, commencing at
at 11 a.m., at Ma-lau-kok,
Kowloon City Road.

A QUANTITY OF
SECOND-HAND CONTRACTORS' PLANT.

Two 16-ft. Invertible vertical double
crank compound set condensing twin
series direct action centrifugal pumping
engines (one left hand and one right
hand) steam cylinders 9 1/2 in. by 21 in. by
13 in. stroke with the necessary fittings
and suction and delivery pipes for a lift
of about 90 feet.

Two Gates Rock and Ore Breakers
(Allis-Chalmers Co.) one No. 6 right
angle style and one No. 3 right angle
style with revolving screens, concave
timers and fittings.

One 20 in. by 10 in. Blake Crusher
(Fracor & Chalmers) with manganese
jaw plates.

Two Taylor's patent 1 yard Concrete
Mixers with Steel Framing and fittings,
various and spare gear.

One 6 in. Double Cylinder Manchester
Pump by Peasey & Co. and 12 in. cylinders
1 1/2 in. stroke with suction and delivery
pipes about 90 ft.

One 16 H.P. double cyl. Robey Port-
able Engine with usual fittings and
mountings.

One 5 in. Belt-driven Centrifugal Pump
with suction and delivery pipes about
74-80 ft.

Also
A quantity of Steel Wire Rope, Old
Metal, &c.
On view from 10th March.
Terms:—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, Feb. 21, 1918. 221

FOR SALE

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TUSCULUM, Barker Road, 108 Peak.

Apply—

DUNCAN CLARK,
LAW, CLAWSON & Co.

Hongkong, Mar. 1, 1918. 185

FOR SALE.

THE Undersigned have received in-

structions to sell at their Sales

Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner

Ice House Street.

MOTOR YACHT

Built 1916, had very little usage.

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Length, water-line 27' 9" over all 33'

Beam 7'

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Motor "Scipio", heavy duty 14 H.P.

Complete with Lavatory, Refrigerator,

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Price and full particulars may be had

from the Undersigned.

Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

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Hongkong, Jan. 9, 1918. 27

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No. 3 MORRISON HILL.

Apply to—

THE TREASURY.

Hongkong, Mar. 12, 1918. 277

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OFFICES in York Building.

ROUSES on Shamoon, Canton.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, August 2, 1917. 2003

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FLAT in Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Four roomed houses in Kowloon.

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Hongkong, August 23, 1917.

**RACE COURSE TRAGEDY
INQUIRY.**

Following is an extended report of the evidence given by Mr. P. P. Xavier at yesterday's sitting of the Coroner's Court:—

Mr. P. P. Xavier, proprietor of the Hongkong Printing Press, stated he had had a share in the Xavier Booth on site No. 7 for about nine years. He took out the P.W.D. permit this year and gave instructions to the contractor to erect the stand the same as last year. His stand was a three-story one. This year the ground floor was used for refreshments, the first floor for cash, sweeps and the top floor was only half the size and specially reserved for ladies. He did not give any special instructions to the contractor. He examined the stand on the Sunday prior to the Races and everything was in good order. He supplied refreshments on the stand. No cooking was done but a Chinese chatty was used for boiling water. Only charcoal was used. There was one main entrance to his shed on the first floor. There was no entrance on the ground floor. The door on the first floor was about six feet wide. He was in the shed at the time of the collapse, on the first floor. He heard a noise of people trying to run. He thought it was fighting or something like that, and then the shed collapsed, towards the United Stand. He fell down on top of his two sisters. One sister shouted, for help. He tried to escape. His wife and children were there. They made a hole in the matting and helped out the children. He and 19 members of his family escaped through the hole. One of his sisters died. The hole was on the Golf Club side of the shed. He was about the tenth of his family to get out. He did not see any fire until he got out. No fire started in his shed. There were about 200 people in his shed. Four of his office staff were missing. He could not say how many other people were killed in his shed.

By the Crown Solicitor: Admis-
sion to his shed was by ticket. They were invitation tickets. He issued about 500 tickets. No charge was made. The tickets were sent to some Chinese, Portuguese and Eng-
lish friends. Refreshments were not charged for; they could be obtained by application for a ticket, to him. There was whisky available. He ran a cash sweep and deducted 15 per cent. He had no electric light in his stand. He had no precautions against fire. In his opinion the collapse was due to overcrowding. He did not count the people in his shed.

By Mr. Bowley: The reason the people did not get out was because of being crushed. His sister was held down by a blackboard. There was no way out of the basement except by going upstairs. There were bamboo tables in the basement. The police made no objection to his having a refreshment room. He had a Portuguese ticket collector at the door. Some people were admitted without tickets. There was an oil lamp in the basement. It was not alight in the daytime. There was also a charcoal chatty, and a jar of water for making tea. He heard people running out from the second floor of his shed; then it collapsed. He did not know how many people were on the top floor.

By Mr. d'Almeida: Mr. L. Xavier, his uncle, was in charge of the shed. He perished in the fire. By Mr. Bowley: Mr. L. Xavier was in No. 9 shed at the time of the collapse. Witness was in charge of No. 7 then.

By Mr. Stevenson: He could not say where the sheds were over-
crowded. He tried to get into the Japanese booth and the booth next to it on the first day of the races after time, and they were so crowded that he could not get in.

The Court then adjourned until Friday, at 11 a.m.

**QUEEN MARY'S NEEDLE-
WORK GUILD.**

The following returns have been received from the Working Parties:—
CITY HALL WORKING PARTY, under Mrs. STARR:—

DURING JANUARY (Corrected List.)

Two cases sent to Bombay contain-

ing:—14 dressing gowns, 10 surgical caps,

71 vests, 32 milk-covers, 37 shirts, 12

tray cloths, 3 surgical shirts, 13

scrubbers, 28 bed jackets, 12 head

nets, 65 pairs of pyjamas, 4 pairs of bed

boots, 6 pairs of slippers, 12 mosquito

nets, 28 dozen handkerchiefs, 46 shrouds,

23 small pillows, 17 many-tailed band-

ages, 20 floor mops, 13 mufflers, 15 pairs

of socks, 5 helmets, 2 caps and 1 pair of

knee caps.

Four cases to Bombay containing:—11

dressing gowns, 114 shirts, 150 vests, 103

bed jackets, 220 pairs of pyjamas, 12

surgical shirts, 27 dozen handkerchiefs,

8 dozen milk covers, 30 scrubbers, 72

covers, 11 pairs of operation stockings,

16 caps, 15 large mosquito nets, 35 small

mosquito nets, 6 pillows, 5 holdalls, 17

surgeons' coats, 10 pairs of bed boots,

52 shrouds, 34 pairs of slippers, 53 tray

cloths, 10 head nets, 15 head bandages,

1 mop, 6 razors, 12 packs of cards, 6

Jaeger scarves and a quantity of eye

bandages.

To French Red Cross:—275 pairs of

socks, 103 mufflers, 36 caps, 30 knee caps,

14 white caps, 90 pairs of bed-socks, 16

pairs of gloves.

To Red Cross, Bombay:—252 pairs of

socks and 87 mufflers.

To Local Troops:—380 mufflers.

DURING FEBRUARY.

One case to 48th General Hospital,

Alexandria, containing:—10 mufflers, 1

pair of socks, 22 pillows, 28 vests, 48 bed

jackets, 24 eye bandages, 2 mosquito nets,

27 abdominal belts, 4 caps, 7 dozen hand-

kerchiefs, 37 pairs of pyjamas, 11 shrouds,

4 reversible bed jackets, 2 surgical suits,

6 gauze veils, 17 pairs of slippers, 12

tray cloths, 84 milk covers, 15 head

bandages, 24 scrubbers, 2 pairs of bed

boots, 1 benzine.

Three cases to Bombay for Mesop-

otamia:—5 pillows, 108 vests, 78 bed

jackets, 24 eye bandages, 40 mosquito

nets, 41 dozen handkerchiefs, 86 pairs

of pyjamas, 15 shrouds, 6 reversible bed

jackets, 5 surgical suits, 10 pairs of

slippers, 36 tray covers, 12 milk covers,

9 head bandages, 20 scrubbers, 2 pairs

of bed boots, 76 shirts, old linen and

playing cards.

Three cases for Bombay:—53 shirts,

5 surgical shirts, 15 cotton shirts, 135

pairs of pyjamas, 123 bed jackets, 82

vests, 23 dressing gowns, 1 quilt, 4

reversible bed jackets, 28 dozen handker-

chiefs, 124 dozen milk covers, 36 pairs of

slippers, 37 shrouds, 5 pairs of bed boots,

106 covers, 12 face cloths, 4 pairs of socks,

13 small pillows, 20 large mosquito nets,

82 scrubbers.

Also:—37 white caps and 28 pairs of

bed socks.

"Ock Little Bit Society," under Mrs.

GARR:—

To Mrs. Eden, Jackanapes Work

Society, 94, Marlborough Mansions, West

Hampstead, N.W.:—2 quilts, 2 pillows,

4 pairs stretcher boots, 74 suits pyjamas,

84 white woollen caps, 18 white woollen

bed socks, 30 pairs socks, 40 pairs woollen

mitten, 11 mufflers, 17 sleeveless

sweaters.

To Colonel Gordon Hall, Cairo, Egypt:—

488 rolled bandages, 4 floor cloths, 37

mops, 40 vests, 100 suits pyjamas, 28

pairs cloth slippers, 7 bags swabs.

To the Matron, 48th General Hospital,

Alexandria, Egypt:—918 rolled bandages,

102 suits pyjamas, 126 white woollen caps,

30 dannel vests, 16 sleeveless sweaters,

8 pairs socks, 9 face cloths, 27 mops, 48

pairs mittens, 66 pairs slippers, 28 pairs

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woollen belts, 19 pairs white woollen bed

socks, 7 bags swabs, 2 pillows, 2 quilts,

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To-day's Advertisements

CANTON MEDICAL MISSIONARY
SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
CANTON MEDICAL MISSIONARY
SOCIETY will be held at the
CANTON CLUB THEATRE (by kind permission)
WEDNESDAY, March 20, 1918,
at 3.30 p.m. To receive the Annual
Report of the Directors of the Canton
Medical Missionary Union and to consider
any other business brought before
the meeting.

J. M. WRIGHT, M.D.,
Secretary.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
will be held in the office of the Company,
2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on
MONDAY, 25th March, 1918, at 12 Noon,
for consideration of the Directors'
Report and Statement of Accounts for
the year ending 31st December, 1917.
The SHARE REGISTER and
TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED
from the 18th to the 23rd instant, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 13, 1918.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions from THE NAVAL STORES
OFFICER, to sell by Public Auction,
on

TUESDAY,

the 19th March, 1918, at 2.30 p.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
One UPRIGHT PIANO by
BRINCKMAD & SONS, London.

Terms—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, Mar. 13, 1918.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell by Public Auction,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
on

SATURDAY,

the 16th March, 1918, at 11 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
A CONSIGNMENT OF
WHITE GOODS,
Comprising—

Single and Double Bed Sheets, Satin
Quilts, Damask Table Cloths and
Serviettes, Pillow Cases, Sheetings,
Turkish Towels Bath Sheets, Glass
Cloths, etc., etc.

Also—

A few lots of Brass Ware, Glass
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Six "MIAMI" MOTOR CYCLES.
The premier light weight, high
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handle-bar control, etc. complete with
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Hongkong, Mar. 13, 1918.

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hold all that she nominally acquires
by the Treaty of Peace with
Russia she will have to recall to the
Eastern Front large numbers of troops
that have in the past few months
been transferred to other theatres.
The spirit of Russia revolts against a
humiliating peace, and with General
ALEXANDER organising a great force,
events may yet take a turn in Russia
that may serve to upset German
calculations and aid the Allies to some
extent.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Parcel Post service to places
in Szechuan Province is suspended until
further notice.

We are asked to mention that
owing to several reasons the Lusitania
Recreation Club Annual Athletic Sports
will not be held this year.

In future, mail for Kongmoon will
be closed at the General Post Office
and at Sheungwan Br. P.O. at 5 p.m.
on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays;
on other days as at present.

In connection with the cerebro-
spinal meningitis epidemic, we have
been requested to state that atomizers
have been installed at Kowloon Railway
Station and also at the Yau-mai
Disinfecting station, for the use of the
public.

Given favourable weather, to-
morrow's Flower and Vegetable Show
at the Botanical Gardens, held
under the auspices of the Hongkong
Horticultural Society, should prove one
of the most successful shows ever held
in the Colony. There are more entries
than last year and despite the dry and
cold weather experienced, the exhibits
promise to be exceptionally fine.

DEATH INQUIRY.

An inquiry was held at the Magistracy
this afternoon, over the death of a
Chinese stall holder named Chan Ping
at the Western Market, who died
while under arrest for gambling.

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe acted as the
Coroner and the jury was composed of
Messrs. F. Perry, E. Hall and A. Sepper.
Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared on
behalf of the widow of the deceased.
After the jury had been sworn in,
the Coroner outlining the case said that
according to Police evidence, the
deceased was arrested for gambling in
the street on the 12th of Feb. last.
The man was taken to the Police station
by the Chinese constable who effected
the arrest, and whilst on the way, he
had an attack of the heart and died.
The deceased's relatives, however,
maintained that the deceased was
not gambling at all. He was on his way
home from work when he was stopped
by some persons who demanded money
from him. He refused and it was
alleged that they struck him thereby
bringing about his death.

Dr. McKenny, who had made a post-
mortem examination deposed that the
deceased had advanced aortic disease of
the heart and a degenerated main
artery. Death was due to rupture of
the heart.

In reply to Mr. d'Almada, witness
said that excitement would accelerate
death considering deceased's condition.
Deceased might have lived for a year or
so, assuming that there was no excite-
ment. Considering the disease (f the
heart), a blow in the region of the
heart might cause excitement from
which death might ensue, but he
saw no signs of it. Witness added
that the fear and excitement that might
follow an arrest might have accelerated
death.

In reply to the Coroner, witness said
that it was usual to find marks on the
body when a blow was struck, but not
always.

By Inspector Kent. If a man were
struck with a truncheon he would
certainly expect to find marks on his
body.

A Chinese constable gave evidence
that whilst on duty on Feb. 12th he
saw a crowd of people in Queen's Road
Central, near the Western Market, and
on going up to them he saw that they
were gambling. The crowd dispersed
when he saw him and the deceased
was left alone on the mattress on
which they were sitting, picking up
some money which he put in a bag.
Witness arrested him. Another con-
stable came and helped him to
take up the mattress and the cash
tray while witness was holding on to
the deceased. Whilst on the way to the
Police Station, about 30 to 40 yards away
from the scene of the arrest, deceased
stumbled and fell on the ground. Witness
asked him what was the matter and
receiving no reply he called to the other
constable and together they lifted the
deceased and put him into a rickshaw
and brought him to the Police Station.
After further evidence the case was
adjourned until to-morrow at 2.15 p.m.

AFFAIRS IN CHINA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ANXIETY IN PEKING.

PEKING, Mar. 12.
Tcheng Tso Ling, the Military
Governor of Mukden, is defying the
Government's orders, and has sent
troops into Chihli, ostensibly en
route to the South, to fight the
rebels, but the arrival of several
thousands of troops at Langfang,
apparently en route to Peking, is
causing anxiety here.

[A Peking telegram to our Chinese
contemporary says that Chang Jih
Lum is trying to get the provinces to
agree to the re-instatement of Tuan
Ki Sai in the Premiership. He has urged
the President not to resign and
promised to do all he can to help
him. On the other hand, Tsen Chun
Huen and Tam Yin Hoi have tele-
graphed to the President urging him
to take definite action against Chang
Jih Lum. Tsen Chun Huen, the capital,
saying that if there is trouble among
the northern leaders the general
situation will become still more com-
plicated. Tuan Ki Sai on 11th inst.
despatched a circular telegram of 5,000
words to the provinces relating to the
President's resignation and cabinet
situation.]

AMERICAN ENGINEERS ROBBED AND CAPTURED.

PEKING, Mar. 12.
Bandits have robbed and captured
near Yehsien, in Honan, two Ameri-
can engineers, who were carrying a
large sum for payment to the sur-
veyors of the proposed railway.

[A more detailed report received
by mail from the North says—The
American engineers, Messrs. Kyle and
Purcell, and their Chinese assistant have
been robbed and captured by bandits
near Yehsien, in Honan. The party was
going out to inspect the survey work of
the proposed railway from Chongchikow
to Singangit and were carrying a large
sum of money. The escort of twenty
soldiers with the party resisted the
bandits and a running fight ensued till
their ammunition was exhausted, when
the party surrendered. Two Chinese
engineers escaped and reported the out-
rage, which is almost without precedent
in North China.]

PINKIE AND THE FAIRIES.

PLAY TEMPORARILY ABANDONED.

The A. D. C. regrettably announce
that, on medical recommendation,
rehearsals for "Pinkie and the Fairies"
have to be temporarily abandoned.
It is expected, however, to produce
the play in the autumn when it is hoped
that the services of those already
engaged will still be available.

THE CATHEDRAL ORGAN.

The organ in St. John's Cathedral,
which has been undergoing the pro-
cess of re-construction for nearly
eight months, is to be re-opened on
Monday next at 9.15 p.m. when
Mr. Denman Fuller will give a
Recital. Always a fine instrument
very few until they hear the results
now obtained can have any concep-
tion of what has been done. With
the introduction of electric blowing
the insertion of pneumatic action in
parts of the instrument has been
possible, and this means that it has
been possible to enormously extend
the resources of the organ, particu-
larly as regards the pedal depart-
ment. The wind pressure has been
increased throughout and the tone
of the pedals in particular thus much
improved; some three or four stops
have been added, and perhaps the
most remarkable feature of the in-
strument is the wonderful brilliance
and power now obtainable from it.
A small history of the organ and an
account of what has been done is
being issued with the programme;
the event, which is in the nature of
a landmark not only in the history
of the Cathedral but in the musical
life of the Colony, will be looked for-
ward to with interest.

A FAMILY NECESSITY.

EVERY family should be provided
with Chamberlain's Pain Balm at
all times. Sprains may be cured in
such less time when promptly treated.
Lame back, lame shoulders, pains in the
stomach and rheumatic pains are
some of the diseases for which it is
especially valuable. Try this balm and
become acquainted with its qualities
and you will never wish to be without it.
For sale by all Chemists and Store-
keepers.

HEATHER DAY FUND.

ALLOCATION OF THE MONEY RAISED.

The proceeds of Heather Day and
St. Andrew's Fair converted into
sterling amounted to £7,020, which
sum was remitted to Sir Charles
Addis, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank-
ing Corporation, London, with a
request by the Committee of St.
Andrew's Society that he undertake
the allocation of the fund in accord-
ance with the objects for which it
was raised. Telegraphic advice was
recently received from Sir Charles
Addis recommending that the money
be allocated as follows:—
Scottish National Hospital,
Glasgow £1,500
Springburn Hospital, Glas-
gow 1,000
No. 11 Stationary Hospital,
Rouen 500
Scottish Hospital, Paris 500
Ten Auxiliary Hospitals in
Scotland, in sums of £100
each 1,000
Scottish Women's Hospital,
Villiers Cottages 1,000
Scottish Women's Hospital,
Salonica 1,000
Elsie Inglis Hospital, Royau-
mont 500
The Committee of St. Andrew's
Society has unanimously approved
of Sir Charles Addis's recommenda-
tions and he has been requested to
distribute the fund accordingly.

THE HALIFAX DISASTER.

GRATEFUL THANKS TO HONGKONG.

The following despatch has been
received by the Government from the
Secretary of State for the Colonies
relating to the disaster at Halifax,
Nova Scotia:—

Dowling Street,
10th January, 1918.

Sir, I have the honour to acknow-
ledge the receipt of Mr. Severn's
telegram of the 13th December reporting
that a sum of £10,000 had been voted
by the Government of Hongkong for
the relief of sufferers in the Halifax
disaster and to inform you that I com-
municated the message embodied there-
in to the Governor-General of Canada
and I have instructed the Crown Agents
for the Colonies to pay this amount to
the High Commissioner for Canada.

I transmit herewith a copy of a
telegram of thanks from the Governor-
General of Canada, and I should be glad
if you would communicate it to the
Legislative Council of Hongkong.

I have, etc.

(Sd.) WALTER H. LONG.

Governor,
Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G.,
Hongkong.

[Telegram]
From the Governor-General of Canada
to the Secretary of State for the
Colonies. Dated 22nd December, 1917.
(Received, Colonial Office, 1.30 p.m.
22nd December).
December, 21st. With reference to
your telegram 14th December Govern-
ment of Canada desire me to express
their grateful thanks for very kind
message from Government of Hongkong
on the occasion of terrible catastrophe
which has visited Halifax and also for
their generous contribution to relief
of sufferers by this calamity.

JAPAN STEEL SCANDAL INVOLVES OVER 100.

OFFICIALS UNDER ARREST FOR BRIBERY.

A Reuter's message from Osaka dated
the 6th inst. says—
The Fukuoka (Kishu) authorities
have just removed the details of a sensational
publication of the details of a sensational
case of bribery in connection with the
sale of the output of the Government
Steel Works at Yawata and also the
transportation of coal.
The persons being prosecuted number
117 and include officials of the Yawata
Works and of the Kishu Division of the
Government Railway and the Board of
Directors, employees, privatisers, builders
and mine owners. Five of the persons
being prosecuted have committed
suicide, including Mr. Oshikawa, the
President of the Government Steel
Works.

The magnitude of the case has re-
quired the personal direction of the
Prosecutor-General Mr. Hirayama, who
has been in Osaka twice recently.
Northern Kishu, which is the
Pittsburg of Japan, is now a veritable
bonfire of steel. Further arrests are
expected as the investigation is still
proceeding.

BEST MEDICINE MADE

A better medicine cannot be made
than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.
It relieves the lungs, opens the sec-
tions, aids expectoration and assists
nature in restoring the system to a
healthy condition. Besides, it contains
no opiates and is perfectly safe to take.
For sale by all Chemists and Store-
keepers.

WAR SAVINGS.

FIFTEENTH LIST.

The following amounts totalling
\$84,355 have been received by the
Hongkong and South China War
Savings Association for the past
month from the members whose
official numbers are given below,
and invested in Straits Settlements
War Loan at 6 per cent.
Application forms for membership
may be had of all the Banks or from
the undersigned.

Moneys in any currency, dividend
warrants and bank notes are all
accepted.

\$9,700.—No. 850.
0,000.—No. 268.
4,500.—No. 730.
3,000.—No. 884.
2,800.—No. 263.
2,250.—No. 814.
2,000.—Nos. 65, 883.
1,800.—No. 780.
1,500.—Nos. 877, 881, 237.
1,300.—No. 814.
1,300.—No. 888.
1,250.—No. 237.
1,000.—No. 508.
1,000.—Nos. 879, 500, 782, 35, 886.
800.—No. 208.
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560.—No. 871.
500.—Nos. 735, 653, 729, 1, 602, 883,
210, 220, 396, 853, 607.
450.—No. 22, 754.
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414, 440, 696, 477, 531, 775,
890.

250.—Nos. 291, 470, 719, 735.
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29, 604, 772, 420, 420, 307,
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800, 600, 844, 118, 122, 125,
175, 737, 801, 73, 137, 348,
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273, 294, 401, 535, 678, 42,
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80.—Nos. 86, 05.
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471, 79, 799, 798, 128, 825,
229, 136, 127, 277, 278, 141,
146, 393, 883, 369, 499, 681,
99, 107, 379, 777, 105, 108,
861, 882, 112, 89, 610, 740,
750, 838, 406, 547, 68, 165,
251, 840, 208, 552, 712.

40.—Nos. 361, 195, 143, 289.
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287, 110, 75, 240, 186, 255,
517.
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675, 276, 130, 134, 138, 142,
145, 12, 106, 113, 897, 424,
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20.—Nos. 380, 779, 823, 14, 72, 76,
78, 270, 271, 128, 147, 705,
668, 506, 231, 150, 781, 60,
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114, 837.
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880, 881, 121, 474, 136, 194,
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TELEGRAMS.

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THE WESTERN FRONT.

LIVELY BOMBARDMENTS.

LONDON, Mar. 12. A French communiqué states:—There were fairly lively bombardments at night-time on the right of the Meuse, in the region of Reillon, Anceville and Louvain.

A German aeroplane was brought down on the night of the 11th inst. north of Soissons by our special guns. Three of the occupants, two of whom were officers, have been taken prisoners.

RIGGING THE GERMAN PRESS.

FOR A NEW PEACE OFFENSIVE.

LONDON, Mar. 12. A telegram from Berné says that the Wilhelmstrasse has ordered the German newspapers to concentrate on a new peace offensive, based on the idea of balancing the gains in the East against the *status quo* in the West.

THE MENACE IN SIBERIA.

CHINA WARNS THE BOLSHEVYKS.

PEKING, Mar. 12. A message from Harbin states:—General Semenov, the Cossack leader, has been obliged to retire, and has taken up his position near Manchali station. The Chinese Commander has warned the Bolsheviki that an invasion of Chinese territory would be regarded as an act of war, declaring that General Semenov's force represents the Russian Provisional Government, which China recognised.

The Cossacks have arrested Bolsheviki leaders at Blagovestchensk, where they alarmed the Bolsheviki forces.

SHANGHAI, Mar. 12. The Bolsheviki leaders at Irkutsk have telegraphed to the Chinese authorities of Manchuria that they have no unfriendly intentions against China.

The Chinese authorities replied, refusing to consider General Semenov a rebel.

RUSSIAN SUPPORT FOR JAPANESE INTERVENTION.

TOKYO, Mar. 12. Dr. E. J. Dillon, writing to the Daily Telegraph, gives the gist of numerous letters received from representative men in Russia, declaring that the Germans have already secured the support of important financial and social interests in Russia for their schemes. An arrangement has actually been reached to restore the Monarchy.

Dr. Dillon's correspondents believe that the schemes can be thwarted because other influential and active elements will be overjoyed if the Entente restored order. The former prejudice and suspicion of Japanese intervention has disappeared during the last few weeks, and the Japanese could reckon on the co-operation of numerous political and military elements if the Japanese entered as rescuers. There are 6,000 refugee officers at Vladivostok alone. The Polish army is the most effective military organisation in the country, and many of the present supporters of the Bolsheviki will change sides immediately, if the fear of shooting and imprisonment is removed.

GERMANY'S SCHEME.

A GREAT CANAL FROM BALTIC TO BLACK SEA.

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 12. The Politiken states that the Russo-German Commercial Treaty will include a plan for the construction of a great canal from the Baltic to the Black Sea, and that German financiers are willing to finance it.

PROMOTIONS IN THE NAVY.

BIGGEST CONCESSION TO LOWER DECK.

LONDON, Mar. 12. The Admiralty announces the promotion of fifty Warrant Officers to the rank of Lieutenant, which is the biggest concession made to the lower deck since the beginning of the war.

EMPLOYMENT FOR EX-ARMY AND NAVY OFFICERS.

LONDON, Mar. 12. A scheme is afoot, under most influential auspices, to provide ex-Navy and ex-Army officers with suitable employment at Home and abroad.

The support of the biggest employers in the United Kingdom and in the Dominions is being enlisted.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

FURTHER ENEMY ATTEMPTS FAIL.

LONDON, Mar. 11. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We repulsed three raids, following a heavy bombardment, in the neighbourhood of Arras. The enemy attempted a large raid this morning, his infantry attacking on a thousand-yard front north-eastwards of Passchendaele.

A party entered a post southwards of Houthulst Forest, but we immediately recaptured it.

SIR D. HAIG ON AVIATION.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—Haze interfered with air work on Sunday. Nevertheless four hundred bombs were dropped on Menin, Roulers, Ledeghem, Cambrai and Solesmes railway stations and other targets. We destroyed three balloons and brought down six aeroplanes. We drove down seven. Four of ours are missing.

JAPAN AND SIBERIA.

LONDON, Mar. 11. In the House of Commons, Mr. Balfour stated that the Government had no information as to Japanese forces having arrived in Siberia. He could not say when he would be able to give information regarding the proposed Japanese intervention.

FURTHER ADVANCE NORTH OF JERUSALEM.

DESPERATE RESISTANCE BY TURKS.

LONDON, Mar. 11. An official message from Palestine states:—Our northward advance astride the Jerusalem-Nablus road has continued through most precipitous and difficult country, in the face of an obstinate resistance. The enemy is employing numerous concealed machine-guns. We progressed 3,000 yards on a twelve-mile front, securing the high ridges overlooking the north bank of the Wadi Eljib and repulsing three counter-attacks. We consolidated the new line northwards of Wadi Ajja. Our aeroplanes bombed and machine-gunned enemy troops and transport on the Nablus road. The operations continue.

OPERATIONS IN MESOPOTAMIA.

RETREATING TURKS BOMBED.

LONDON, Mar. 11. An official message from Mesopotamia states:—The 11th garrison continued its retirement, and occupies Khanbaghdadi, twenty miles above Hit. Our aircraft attacked the retreating Turks and inflicted heavy casualties.

POLAND AND THE UKRAINE PEACE TERMS.

ZURICH, Mar. 11. Count Andrássy writes, in a Budapest paper, that Poland must be taken from Russia and brought under the Hapsburgs, otherwise Polish agitations will disturb the peace of Austria-Hungary and spread chaos in Russia. The Neue Zürcher Zeitung states that, owing to the ferment in connection with the Ukraine peace terms among the Polish Legionnaires at the Front, they have been disarmed and interned in Austria-Hungary.

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 11. A Berlin telegram announces that M. Tschicheff has already ordered the return of the persons deported from Livonia in cattle-trucks, which was in contravention of the Peace Treaty, and against which the German Foreign Under-Secretary (Herr von Dem Buscho) protested.

IMPRISONED AVIATORS.

TO BE RELEASED.

LONDON, Mar. 12. The Press Bureau announces that the War Prisoners Department was informed to-day that the aviators Scholtz and Woolley, imprisoned for dropping pamphlets, would be released and returned to their camps. The month's notice of intended reprisals would have expired to-morrow.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Mar. 12. Silver is steady.

NEWSPAPER PROPRIETORS AS MINISTERS.

POLICY DEFENDED BY PREMIER.

LONDON, Mar. 11. In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Chamberlain, the Premier disagreed with the contention that owners and directors of newspapers should not hold Ministerial offices. Lord Northcliffe held no Ministerial office, while Lord Rothermere and Lord Beaverbrook gave up all direction of their papers as soon as they were appointed Ministers. They were both exceptionally able men. Lord Rothermere had already reorganised an important department of the War Office and his administration thereof was an unqualified success. Lord Beaverbrook organised the Canadian propaganda most successfully. The Premier emphasised the importance of propaganda, which the enemy used with deadly effect in Russia and Italy. Lord Northcliffe had made a special study of conditions in enemy countries. No man better qualified to direct the propaganda in enemy countries could be found in the British Empire. The Government was grateful to him for taking the post. The propaganda in all other Allied countries and Germany was conducted almost exclusively by experienced newspaper men, and despite inevitable prejudices, which the Government apprehended might be excited, they concluded they must follow that example as the only means of securing effective presentation of the Allied cause. His one object in this as in all other Government appointments was to secure the men best qualified to do the work efficiently. (Cheers.) He reiterated that he was in no way responsible for the attacks on Admirals and Generals. It had been suggested by the hon. members that his staff inspired such attacks and he thoroughly investigated the matter and unhesitatingly declared that the imputation was utterly unfounded and unjust.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S REGRET.

Mr. Chamberlain said the principles laid down by Mr. Lloyd George were satisfactory, but there had been too much coincidence between the newspaper attacks on Government servants and the removals of the latter. He regretted that the Premier had not made a clean cut and swept away for ever the atmosphere of suspicion and intrigue.

WHY LORD KITCHENER WAS MADE K. G.

Mr. Asquith deplored the organised press campaigns in war time against soldiers and sailors, the first of which was against Lord Kitchener, which he, Mr. Asquith, felt most keenly. Consequently he advised the King to bestow the Order of the Garter upon Lord Kitchener at the earliest opportunity, which His Majesty did. It was of the utmost importance that the Government should be free from suspicion of direct association with the operations of the Press. Therefore he advocated that the Propaganda Department be absolutely water-tight, without any influence on the policy of the Government.

PREMIER'S TRIBUTE TO LORD NORTHCLIFFE.

Mr. Lloyd George, winding up the debate, accepted the fundamental principles laid down by Mr. Asquith, and said that after his explanation this afternoon there had been no real challenge of the action of the Government. He concluded by paying a tribute to Lord Northcliffe from the standpoint of news organisation as a man of genius and one of the greatest news organisers in the world.

PEKING UNION MEDICAL COLLEGE.

Dr. Franklin C. McLean, Director of the Peking Union Medical College, has been commissioned as Lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army, and ordered to active service. He is now in charge of a mobile medical unit that is assigned from time to time to emergency work in different locations when there is need of special medical assistance. For the present he will continue to exercise general supervision over the work that is being done at home in preparation for the starting of the new school, but it is very uncertain when he will be able to return to China.

In the meantime Dr. Henry S. Houghton, formerly Dean of the Harvard Medical School of China, has been appointed Acting Director of the College. Dr. Houghton has lately been in charge of the New York office of the China Medical Board, and has just returned to China to take up his new work, which will consist very largely in supervising the construction of the new buildings, and in developing the organization of the pre-medical school, which was opened last autumn. Dr. C. W. Young will continue as Dean of the College until the Summer, when he will return to the United States on furlough for special study in preparation for his future work in the new school.

Rapid progress is being made with the new buildings at Peking. It is expected that the buildings for the departments of anatomy, physiology and chemistry will be completed by the end of this year, and the hospital buildings, including the pathological institute, by the end of 1916.

WAR ORATORY.

THE PREMIER'S REAL GIFT OF FIRE.

The "Spectator" writing of the Premier's address to Gray's Inn says:—No one could have made a speech more fitted to the moment than Mr. Lloyd George made last week. He has the gift of fire and persuasion and the lyrical touch. If we have a criticism to make it is not that he is too temperate, and, worse, it is that while we were reading it we seemed to be living life again as it was lived more than a year ago. For Mr. Lloyd George deals once more with all those national needs which seemed to be satisfied when Mr. Asquith was forced from office, and which, as we understood, were to be satisfied forthwith. But the fact is, as Mr. Lloyd George told us in the speech, that the vital problems of the war are not the material ones of re-organising industrial life on a war basis, of providing more tonnage, and of ensuring greater economy in the use of food and a larger supply of food, are all problems still to be solved. We should exhibit the thousands of readers must have experienced the same feeling as they read the speech. But the last thing we want to do now is to say anything ungracious, and indeed the ungracious word was used by singularly misplaced for the truth, that if the old national needs still have to be met, one of the first things to do is to throw people into the right attitude for a mighty effort.

It may be graced and decorated by learning, for example, Lord Boscawen's grace it—but it cannot be replaced by learning. Learning is no substitute. We may be delighted by a play of philosophic fancy, as we are in Mr. Balfour's highly cultivated speech, but we should be disappointed if it were not for the plain, direct, and powerful words which we recognise in Lord Curzon's speeches, but we find something different in Mr. Lloyd George's welling up of thoughts which spontaneously clothe themselves in a growing rainbow of words as they reach the surface. The language is simple, direct, and powerful. It is a language of the people, and it is a language which we all understand. It is a language which we all understand. It is a language which we all understand.

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HONGKONG TO MANILA.

A DUTCH STEAMSHIP SERVICE CONTEMPLATED.

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THE MAGISTRACY.

LARCENIES FROM TAIKOO DOCKYARD.

A Chinese pleaded guilty when charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with the theft of a brass rod from the Taikoo Dockyard. It was stated that the brass was found tied to defendant's leg as he was coming out of the docks.

Mr. Wood sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour and four hours' stocks in lieu of the last day.

Another Chinese was charged with the theft of a piece of metal plate from the same dockyard.

This man, it was stated, was arrested at the same time as the previous defendant. The plate was discovered about his waist, being suspended from his neck by a piece of cord.

Defendant, pleading guilty, a similar sentence was imposed.

ALLEGED SNATCHING.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. Wood this morning, with snatching a leather bag from Mrs. Mooney, of 11, Sharp Street, Wanchai.

Mrs. Mooney said that at about 8 p.m. on the 11th instant she was alone walking up St. Francis Street. When she reached the top of the street the defendant came up to her and snatched the bag from her. She reported the matter to the Police and a detective was sent out with her to find the defendant. They came upon him at Queen's Road East and when he saw her, accompanied by the detective, he ran away, but was caught.

A Chinese detective said that the defendant, who was pointed out by the lady, was greeted by him, and when searched was found to possess a printed card and a packet of pepper.

Inspector Sim said the complainant gave a very good description of the defendant when she made the report at the Police Station.

Defendant said he knew nothing at all about the theft. He did not steal the bag. The packet of pepper found on him was to be used for medicinal purposes.

Mr. J. R. Wood remanded the case until next Saturday.

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CHINA'S PERILS.
[By Edward S. Little in the "N. C. Daily News"]
The President, in a recent telegram concerning the proposed peace negotiations in Shanghai, stated that the conditions now prevailing were fundamentally different from those prevailing in the year of the Revolution of 1911. What differences were in the President's mind when he penned that message I do not know, but two important ones occur to every one. They are: (1) In 1911 there was a command in Peking to the effect of "Yuan Shih-kai, a man of resolute will who did not hesitate to take the responsibility of making a decision and of acting up to it; whereas now, if Chinese current rumors are to be believed, there is no one in Peking who dares take any responsibility. The President himself is said to be so surrounded by conflicting influences that he is unable to take any definite action in any direction whatsoever. (2) In 1911 there was a struggle for the establishment of democracy in the form of a Republican Government, while the other was struggling to uphold autocracy in the person of the Manchurian Dynasty. The issue therefore was clear. Repeated inquiries amongst Chinese fail to bring to light any well defined issue in the present disorders. All with whom I have spoken state that at individual struggle for power with the personal enjoyment of the plunder that naturally follows. It would, therefore, seem that the present chaotic condition in China is one that cannot be defended on any ground whatsoever. A few individuals are pushing the country to the verge of ruin.

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL DANGERS.
At the present moment China is threatened with a variety of evils internal and external. Reports from all quarters show the prevalence in various districts of famine, pestilence, earthquakes, floods and other causes of suffering. Urgent appeals are before our eyes in the Public Press for masses of people which are estimated at millions and who are huge figures of death from starvation on the verge of death from famine. On the top of all these calamities, ambitious and reckless men are hurrying every one to arms, and are kindling the flames of civil war. In addition to the internal sorrows there are the dangers threatening China from the present world with the most disastrous of all plagues, the influenza. She is in a state of peril. Her northern frontier is a great country whose government is broken down and whose people are utterly lawless and irresponsible, while from the same direction, hordes of thousands of armed robbers of war who draw their livelihood from the pockets of the Chinese, are pouring into China, almost unopposed, as far as the Chinese own power of defence is concerned. For her armies are directed against each other in mutual destruction instead of against the common foe.

This is a list of calamities and of dangers sufficient to tax the resources of the wealthiest countries, and the vastness of the Chinese empire makes it possible to draw upon the resources of the Chinese people for the purpose of drawing out the influenza. It is a situation of affairs in China and elsewhere for the purpose of drawing out the influenza. It is a situation of affairs in China and elsewhere for the purpose of drawing out the influenza.

NO REAL LEADERS.
It is discouraging to note that with the exception of some few prominent patriots no responsible men now direct affairs in China. The Chinese Government is a mere puppet, and the Chinese people are a mass of unorganized and uneducated slaves. The Chinese people are a mass of unorganized and uneducated slaves. The Chinese people are a mass of unorganized and uneducated slaves.

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Sailings from Hongkong SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination STEAMER & DISPLACEMENT SAILING DATE

Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama Kitano Maru, 18,000 tons FRI., 15th Mar. 11 a.m.

Shidzuka Maru, 12,500 tons FRI., 29th Mar. 11 a.m.

Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama Nishiki Maru, 8,000 tons SAT., 16th Mar. 11 a.m.

Aki Maru, 12,500 tons SAT., 20th Apr. 11 a.m.

Shanghai, Moji & Kobe

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Melbourne via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Is., Townsville, Brisbane, & Sydney

New York via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, San Francisco & Panama Canal

Bombay via Singapore, Malacca, & Colombo

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† Omitting Shanghai and/or Moji

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"Kashima Maru" and "Katori Maru," each of over 20,000

tons displacement.

Next sailing from Hongkong:

"Fushimi Maru" WEDNESDAY 13th March 11 a.m.

"Kashima Maru" SATURDAY 16th March 11 a.m.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Homeward Mail Steamer carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port as usual taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports. Passengers' accommodation in the connecting vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

SHE and Valuable Cargo for Italy, France and London (under arrangement) will be conveyed in this steamer proceeding via Bombay and there transhipped to the carrying steamer for Australia and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 3 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, sailing dates, etc. apply to

E. V. D. PARR,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, Nov. 23, 1917. 2319

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

THE WATERHOUSE STEAMSHIP

LINES INCORPORATED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship "THORDIS,"

having arrived from the above ports. Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 18th instant at 5 p.m., will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on Monday next, at 10 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, Mar. 11, 1918. 2320

KONINKLIJKE PAKETVAART

MAATSCHAPPIJ.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "VAN WAERWYCK"

having arrived from the above Ports consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, T.D.

PARADES.

FRIDAY, 15th instant.—
4.30 a.m. Right Half Company, Full Drill at Belcher's Battery.
6.15 p.m. Left Half Company, Full Drill at Belcher's Battery.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

8th to 10th instant.—
E. L. Manning, night. Parades as per rosters posted at Headquarters. Engineers drivers at 6.15 p.m.; electricians at 6.30 p.m.

Officers next for duty: Belcher's, 2nd Lieut. Matthews; Lyceum, Captain James; Stonecutters, 2nd Lieut. Brown. Instruction for members of Infantry Battalion attached for duty: Class 1 at Belcher's at 6.30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays; Class 2 at Belcher's at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays; Class 3 at Lyceum at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff Sergeants Orenden and Parsons, R.E.; Class 4 at Belcher's at 6.30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, under Staff Sergeants Barclay and White, R.E.; and Class 5 at Lyceum, under Staff Sergeant Barclay, R.E. Detail of Belcher's Reliefs for March is posted at Headquarters.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

THURSDAY, 14th instant.—
4.45 p.m. At King's Park Range, for men over 50 years of age who have to fire the Special Musketry Course. Dress, drill order with pouches. Practices 1, 5 and 6 will be fired.

FRIDAY, 15th instant.—
6.15 p.m. 5th and 6th Platoons on Cricket Ground. Platoon Drill. Dress, drill order.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

THURSDAY, 14th instant.—
6.10 p.m. Drill at Headquarters. The following are only need attend: Ptes. Field, Irvine, Labrum, Logan, McKerns, Finquet and Stapleton.

FRIDAY, 15th instant.—
6.15 p.m. N.O.C. at Headquarters.

MOUNTED SECTION.

THURSDAY, 14th instant.—
6.15 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, drill order without rifles.

FRIDAY, 15th instant.—
4.15 p.m. Annual Musketry Course, Part 2 Practices 10 and 11, at King's Park Range. Dress, as above.

RECRUITS.

FRIDAY, 15th instant.—
6.15 p.m. All units, except "D" Company, on Murray Parade Ground, under Capt. Grimmes and Capt. Grimes. Dress, drill order.

"D" COMPANY.

THURSDAY, 14th instant.—
4.45 p.m. Annual Musketry Course. Practices 4, 5 and 6, at King's Park Range, for men over 50 years of age and 7th instant respectively. Dress, drill order with pouches.

FRIDAY, 15th instant.—
6.15 p.m. Musketry instruction on Murray Parade Ground for men not detailed to fire at King's Park Range as above. Sergt. Oxberry will attend.

G. E. STEWART,

Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps.

To day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned),

TUESDAY,

the 19th March, 1918, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

AN ASSORTMENT OF

HOUSEHOLD LINENS, &c., comprising—

Single and Double Plain and Hem-stitched Sheets, Pillow Cases, Bed Quilts, Table Cloth, Pure Linen Damask Serviettes, Bath Sheets, Bath Towels, Turkish Towels, &c., &c., &c.

Travelling Case. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers. Hongkong, Mar. 13, 1918.

THE CALENDAR.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.
MONDAY, Mar. 18.—
5.30 p.m.—Annual Meeting of Members of Hongkong Club.

SATURDAY, Mar. 23.—
11.30 a.m.—Green Island Cement Co. annual meeting.

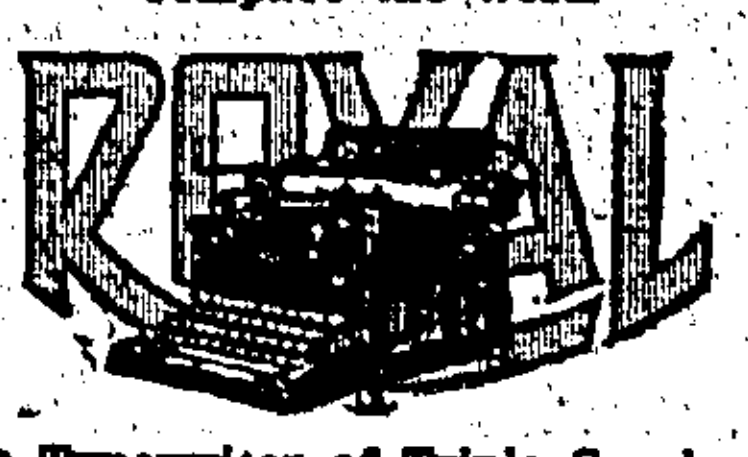
MONDAY, Mar. 25.—
11 a.m.—Auction of Messrs. Panchard, Lowther & Co.'s Contractors' plant at Hsiao-tok.

WEDNESDAY, Mar. 27.—
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.

FRIDAY, Mar. 29.—
Good Friday.

SUNDAY, Mar. 31.—
Easter Sunday.

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Letter Making.
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4, Des Voeux Road Central.

To-day's Advertisements

BARBER LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP PANAMA.

FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded, unless notice to the contrary be given before the 27th inst., or they will not be re-recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "TEUCER" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignee's risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 15th March.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th March, at 10 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 1st April or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, Mar. 13, 1918. 232

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned),

on TUESDAY, the 19th March, 1918, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAK TWIN BEDSTEADS, CURTAINS, CARPETS, PICTURES, &c., and a LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

USEFUL HOUSEHOLD GOODS, comprising—

Upholstered Suites, Arm-chairs and Chesterfield Sofas, Card Tables, &c., Bed-room Furniture, comprising Double and Single Brass and Brass-mounted Bedsteads, and Twin Bedsteads, Sideboards, Dinner Waggons, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, Tea and Occasional Tables, &c., Dining Services, Crockery, Glass Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery, Toilet Sets, &c., Bath Room Utensils, Roll-top Desks and Writing Tables, Sundry Electro-Plated Ware.

Electric Reading Lamps, Blackwood and Teakwood Screens, Blackwood Furniture, including large 6-Fold Blackwood Screen with 4-Coloured Panels, Side Tables, &c., Engravings, Pictures, &c., &c., Teapots, Poles and Net, Iron Safe, Several Carpets, &c., &c.

One three quarter size BILLIARD TABLE with Accessories. (Full Particulars from Catalogue).

Terms—Cash. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

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TEMPERATURE.
Hongkong, March 13, 1918.

BAROMETER—5 A.M. 30.01
Do 10 A.M. 30.06
Do 4 P.M. 30.06

TEMPERATURE—5 A.M. 67
Do 10 A.M. 72
Do 4 P.M. 72

WIND—5 A.M. S.W. 12
Do 10 A.M. S.W. 12
Do 4 P.M. S.W. 12

RELATIVE HUMIDITY—5 A.M. 85
Do 10 A.M. 85
Do 4 P.M. 85

RAIN—5 A.M. 0.0
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Do 10 A.M. 0.0
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FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

CHAIRS.

In Victoria with two Bearers.
Quarter hour.....10 cents
Half hour.....20
One hour.....35
Two hours.....70
Three hours.....105
Six hours.....210
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.).....\$1.00

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 6.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.
Hour.....0.60 cents
Three hours.....1.80
Six hours.....3.60
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.).....\$2.00

III.—In the City of Victoria.
With 2 Bearers with 2 Bearers.
Quarter hour.....\$0.15
Half hour.....0.30
One hour.....0.45
Two hours.....0.90
Three hours.....1.35
Six hours.....2.70
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.).....\$1.50

IV.—In the Island of Hongkong engaged in Victoria.
Ten minutes.....5 cents
Quarter hour.....10
Half hour.....15
One hour.....20
Every subsequent hour.....20

Note.—If the ricksha is engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m. or be discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In the Island of Hongkong engaged in Victoria.
Quarter hour.....5 cents
Half hour.....10
One hour.....15
Every subsequent hour.....10

III.—Taspo Road.
Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the hire causes the journey to take longer than—

To 4th mile.....75 cents...1 hour.
Return.....1.50.....2 hours.
Beyond 4th to 8th mile.....1.50.....2 hours.
Return.....3.00.....4 hours.
Beyond 8th to 12th mile.....2.25.....3 hours.
Return.....4.50.....6 hours.
Beyond 12th to 16th mile.....3.00.....3 hours.
Return.....6.00.....6 hours.
Beyond 16th to 20th mile.....3.75.....3 hours.
Return.....7.50.....6 hours.

Fares for journeys beyond the 11th mile to be a matter of previous arrangement in each case.

The fares here set out to apply to one ricksha with three coolies from Tsim Sha Tsui.

FARES FOR PUBLIC CARRIAGES.
Not exceeding per passenger.

From Slaughter House to Sailors' Home.....04 cents.
From Sailors' Home to Government Civil Hospital.....04
From Government Civil Hospital to Clock Tower to Race Course.....10
From Clock Tower to Bay View House.....13
From Wanchai Market to Bay View House.....08
From Bay View House to Quarry Bay.....08

II.—In the City of Victoria.
Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour.....10 cents.
One hour.....20
Two hours.....35
Three.....50
Four.....65
Five.....80
One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.25

III.—Beyond Victoria.
Not exceeding per passenger.

One hour.....25 cents.
Two hours.....45
Three.....65
Four.....85
Five.....1.05
One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.50

If a vehicle is discharged beyond the limits of the City of Victoria half fare extra is to be allowed for the return journey.

IV.—In Kowloon.
Not exceeding per passenger.

Quarter hour.....\$0.40
Half hour......80
One hour.....1.20
Two hours.....2.40
Three.....3.60
Four.....4.80
Five.....6.00
One day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$1.00

Between the hours of 6.30 p.m. and 6 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the results of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1915-16.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which is taken to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean low water.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamport Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

March 14th to 20th, 1918.

High Water. Low Water.

Time of Day. Height in Feet. Time of Day. Height in Feet.

14th March. 15th March. 16th March. 17th March. 18th March. 19th March. 20th March.

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WEATHER REPORT.

March 13th. 12A. Obs.—No returns from Japan and Windivostok. Pressure has decreased slightly at all reporting stations. The anticyclone remains stationary, and fresh monsoon will prevail along the China Coast, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.55 inch, against an average of 4.04 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 14th March.—
1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, some rain.
2.—Formosa Channel: N. winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: The same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN MARCH.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of March, 1918.

Date. Ends. Begins.

Mar. 13th. 6.33 a.m. 8.43 p.m.
14th. 6.32 " 8.42 " 15th. 6.30 " 8.40 " 16th. 6.29 " 8.39 " 17th. 6.28 " 8.38 " 18th. 6.27 " 8.37 " 19th. 6.26 " 8.36 " 20th. 6.25 " 8.35 " 21st. 6.24 " 8.34 " 22nd. 6.23 " 8.33 " 23rd. 6.22 " 8.32 " 24th. 6.21 " 8.31 " 25th. 6.20 " 8.30 " 26th. 6.19 " 8.29 " 27th. 6.18 " 8.28 " 28th. 6.17 " 8.27 " 29th. 6.16 " 8.26 " 30th. 6.15 " 8.25 "

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, March 13, 1918.

Bank, Wire. On demand.....3 1/2 " 30 days sight.....3 1/2 " 3 months sight.....3 1/2 " 6 months sight.....3 1/2 " 12 months sight.....3 1/2 "

On London. On demand.....3 1/2 " 30 days sight.....3 1/2 " 3 months sight.....3 1/2 " 6 months sight.....3 1/2 " 12 months sight.....3 1/2 "

On Paris. On demand.....4 1/2 " 30 days sight.....4 1/2 " 3 months sight.....4 1/2 " 6 months sight.....4 1/2 " 12 months sight.....4 1/2 "

On New York. On demand.....7 1/2 " 30 days sight.....7 1/2 " 3 months sight.....7 1/2 " 6 months sight.....7 1/2 " 12 months sight.....7 1/2 "

On Bombay. On demand.....130 " 30 days sight.....130 " 3 months sight.....130 " 6 months sight.....130 " 12 months sight.....130 "

On Calcutta. On demand.....130 " 30 days sight.....130 " 3 months sight.....130 " 6 months sight.....130 " 12 months sight.....130 "

On Singapore. On demand.....130 " 30 days sight.....130 " 3 months sight.....130 " 6 months sight.....130 " 12 months sight.....130 "

On Manila. On demand.....144 " 30 days sight.....144 " 3 months sight.....144 " 6 months sight.....144 " 12 months sight.....144 "

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SHARE REPORT.

MARCH 13TH, 1918.

Stock and paid up Value.	Quoted 11.30 A.M.	Last Dividend and date.	Approximate Return based on last year's div.
BANKS.			
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$175,000	Final of \$2.37 & bonus of \$1 at Ex. 3/- a/c 1917	6 p.c.
MARINE INSURANCE.			
Union	\$100,000	Final of \$2.00 and bonus of \$1.00 a/c 1918 and interim of \$3.00 a/c 1918	11 p.c.
Yonghe	\$60,000 (ex. 72) b.	Final of \$2.00 and bonus of \$1.00 a/c 1918 and interim of \$3.00 a/c 1918	11 p.c.
FIRE INSURANCE.			
China Fire	\$100,000	\$7 and bonus \$2 for 1915. \$37 for 1915	7 p.c.
Hongkong Fire	\$100,000	\$7 and bonus \$2 for 1915. \$37 for 1915	8 p.c.
SHIPPING.			